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Captn. O'reilly
&c &c

Danayankotta

Sir

The late Serishadar of Coimbator Subrow having been plundered by the Malle[illegible] of very considerable property has suggested to me as an expedient for its recovery the calling to this place ~~Devepootan Tripita your~~

Devepootan Tripita your
Pota. your
Bhora the Sardar & Centre Gurga &
Chinnaki two Condachar peons

& morrow the Serishadar he having a strong suspicion that these people were not only accessary to the fact but partic[illegible] in the spoil —

As I understand the Papers have been with you Sting the favor of you again to see them and I shall be obliged by an answer to them because should business be more than three days in going I shall hope to be at Donagan [illegible] and there save you the trouble of sending them here.

I have the honor to be

Sir

your very obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) Wm. Hunter

Collr.

W. Dunn

Commissioner

[illegible] Augt. [illegible]

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[illegible] Ridge

Sir

In directions being the [illegible]

[illegible] which the [illegible]

[illegible] were formed is ordered to the

[illegible] you will [illegible]

[illegible] to the

[illegible] and to [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] of the charge

[illegible] one hundred [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours respectfully

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

J. W. Murdoch Esqr. Collector &c. &c.

Sir

I am just fav.d with your letter of the 10th instant, and have sent for the people you mention to Devunfutum, and should they arrive in time will send them on to Colombo —

Your letter makes it necessary that I should mention a circumstance that occurred a few days ago, and that I did not wish to do at the time knowing that you must have been a good deal engaged with matters of more consequence — During my Absence at Hattamangcorn there were three Village people belonging to Devunfutum came and complained to the Officer in charge here in my Absence, that a Sinhalese and some Peons belonging to Subanow were plundering them of their

Paddy

Paddy: and that they were close to this place, on their way to Combatore — The Officer sent out a small Guard, and in consequence, and Peon Prisoners, and stoped the paddy — On my arrival the next morning I enquired into the business and found after hearing what both parties had to say, that Moraroo in taking some Cirar paddy from Coveriputum to Pay some Peons, had also taken some that was the property of the Villagers, at least this was their story — I sat down in order to write the circumstance to you, and to send both parties to Combatore, but whilst I was writing the letter, they came to an agreement to settle the business in an amicable way amongst themselves, in consequence of which I dismissed the whole party, and did not think it was worth while troubling you on the occasion for the reason already given — I have only left to add on this subject that Moraroo the

Smith[illegible]

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Sais the Actor acknowledged that there was some of the Village peoples paddy taken, but said it was owing to its being mixed with some that belonged to the Sircar —

I return you my best thanks for the paper, and it will make me very happy at all times to be of the smallest service to you in this part of the country —

Notwithstanding that we have had but very little Rain here, I am just informed that the River is not fordable, I have therefore sent to see and procure a Boat to push this letter over —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt Servant
T. Olivey

Dangmootta
21st June 1799 —

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Capt. OReilly

date 21st June

recd 22nd

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Lieut. McDowal

Comg. Sattamungalum

Sir

The Cawhary for Sattamungalum being formed from hence and Govindrow the bearer of this being for the present placed at the head of it as Tahsildar — I have to request your assistance to him as necessity may require to give efficacy to such of his measures as may proceed from my orders to him —

Coll. Brown has sent the necessary instructions to Syed Yaseen

I have the honor to be
Sir
your very obedient Servant
(signed) Tho. [illegible]

Coimbatore
22d June 1799

[illegible]

To

Saml. Richard

dated 24th June 1799

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Captain Oreilly

Comg. at Danagancotta

Sir

Having formed the Cacharee for Danagancotta from hence and placed Nabi Rou for the present at the head of it, as tahsildar I have to request your assistance to him as necessity may require to give efficacy to such of his measures as may proceed from my order to him —

The tahseeldar will be the bearer of this to you —

Coimbatoor
22d June 1799

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedient servant
(Signed) Th. [illegible]

Do

Capt. Wm. Reilly [illegible]

dated 22d June 1799

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— Hurdis Esqr.
Collector
Coimbetore —

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter delivered by Goindrow Tahsildar of this place — and shall be happy to give efficacy to such of the measures as may proceed from your orders by every means in my power —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Humble Servant
Sutherland McDonald
Lieut Commanding

[illegible]ttamunglum
24th June 1799

Lieut. Sutherland McDowal

&c &c

Sir! Satimunglam

I have this moment your favor of the 24
and am much obliged by the contents.

It is very painful to me that the first letter
from the Cutwal[?] should contain his own posi-
-tive and unqualified assurance of disobedience
to my orders, the first & only orders he has
received - the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I think [illegible]
not without the greatest provocation his act
however causes his supersession - and I have de[sired]
Appanoo the Sirdar to carry into effect [illegible]
[illegible] the Cutwal[?] carried from hence - and [illegible]
Secondrow in confinement - I have to beg the
favor of you to place over him such guards as [you]
may deem necessary & prevent all communica-
-tion with him whatever that does not pass
publickly thro the Cacharee - If his intima[te]

be

be good no harm can result from this restraint if bad it the best means of prevention —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) W. Murdoch
Coll.r

Coimbatoor
25 June
9 Om 1799.

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Dated 24th June 1799
Recd 25th do do

Harris Esqr
Collector
Cornwallis

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Captn. Oreilly

&c &c &c

Sir

I was favored with your letter of the 21st. late on the night of the 22d and am much obliged by the trouble you have [illegible] in enquiring into the Complaint against [illegible] - who certainly is not priveliged to keep peons by any authority that I know of - the taking of either the Sirkar or Village paddy was equally a theft - he had a right to neither and I fear his peons as well as himself were abettors in the plunder of Sabrows property -

I thank you sincerely for the
offer of service of which I will with
your leave avail myself as occasion
may induce —

I have the honor to be
Sir
[illegible] your very obedient [illegible]

[illegible] June 99 (Signed) [illegible]

To Major Lindsay

Commanding [illegible]

Sir/

At the time I received [illegible] late letter [illegible] money informing you ~~[illegible]~~ that the Battalion might be accommodated with Coin an[illegible] use, I was writing you to ~~propose subjects~~ request some arrangement might be fixed on for their being regularly supplied with that coin.

I could wish the Sepoys in companies with [to attend] their [Native Officers & Pickets] ~~regularly~~ at the Mundy, ~~every~~ Thursday [illegible] the [illegible] company should have a list of all their names [illegible] to the authority attending there, who should attend on that day to serve ~~out their~~ [illegible] weekly allowance [quired], or receiving the money for the same.

With respect to such as may be on [sick] or other duties, their allowance shall be delivered to the ~~such as~~ [illegible] be made Havildars or Naiks of the Company, on [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ of the others names and ~~and~~ [illegible] the amount. each company is as to have a separate list of those who were on [about] guard. their portions might be served over to ~~them~~ of the [respective] ~~same~~ companys ~~to~~ to which they belong [when necessary] the Lascars, Bhisties, Doolie and others, may attend together. x

& You will be pleased to give orders to the Travancore Troops - Artillery, Gun Lascars and other ~~people~~ attached to the different Corps to attend on the same day and in the same manner as your battalion at the Mundy - and I would wish to be furnished with a statement of the numbers of people of each description, as it will have favored me with one of your Battalions M

+ As to issue out to every individual his allowance would create an endless trouble, I propose that the

which the portion of each Company, shall be measured out at once, and afterwards divided by themselves. — to this the writer of each company, may attend, collect the portion of money from each individual, and pay for the whole. —

As I wish this system to begin on Friday next, and as it being near the end of the month the Sepoys may not have cash enough to pay for a whole months rice, I will therefore accommodate them by issuing it out, taking the receipt of the [illegible] of each company, for the amount distributed to the whole; he being ordered to [illegible] the money out of their pay next month, and pay the same to the Circar. —

I have to beg you will issue strict orders that no Sepoys or others who are supplied in the above way, shall either directly or indirectly purchase or procure any more rice or paddy from the Circar Mundy

D 26th June 94

To Major Lindsay
25 June 94 —

List of the Prisoners to be brought down to the Cutcherry Choultry from the Vick—

Pylneyan
Andy
Wochapen
Moyandy
Coopa Mootoo
Iyanen
Veeren
Venkatachellum
Alagen
Cootin umbalagan
Chinnan
Mootoo
Mylapen
Carpen
[illegible]yandy

Curpen
Voota
Curpen
Veerany
0 Kistnah
Mootoo
Wochapen
Ramalingum
[illegible]
5 Moyandy
Peria Curpen
Valuttan
Curpen
Venkettah
30 Tanden
Chellumba
32 Coopan

[illegible]

By [illegible] to
order the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
to be delivered [illegible]
the charge of the
Cateval who [illegible]
your [illegible]

27 June 94

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Macdonald

&c &c

[illegible]

I have the pleasure of sending
[illegible] whom I have
appointed to superintend [illegible]
the late [illegible]

I will be obliged by your
receiving him and ordering him to
Coimbatore —

[illegible] a person
of an excellent character — I hope
he will not forfeit it —

I have the honor to be
Coimbatore &c &c
26 June 1799

[illegible]
Esq.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Lieut. Col Brown

&c &c &c

Sir

The conduct of the Zemindars of Ramghur with the exception of some few who attached themselves to our interest and whose principal relations were murdered [illegible] by the Assif for their attachment - has been such as not only to impede arrangement with themselves but also with those Ryots over whom they exercise an usurped authority - by preventing their appearance before the Cutcherry and consequently an examination into their circumstances

The Zemindars particularly instrumental in creating this disturbance are Chimnana four [illegible] the fear of whom from the acts of cruelty they have committed and caused others to commit operates ~~so~~ the more forcibly on the Ryots - in consequence of the inadequate means of protection ~~the~~ at Ramghur

To afford those means ~~and~~ to give stability to such measures as may be necessary for their welfare

~~regulating of the country I have to beg the favor of you to station at Manzygur such force as can be spared conveniently from the small detail with you - to check the restless disposition of the Gours of that ~~province~~ and the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ surrounding districts -~~

and to check the restless disposition of the Gours of that and the surrounding districts - I have to beg the favor of you to station at Manzygur such regular force as can be spared ~~[illegible]~~ from the small detachment with you

The same reasons also ~~[illegible]~~ make necessary a further request for a force to be ~~sent~~ stationed at Bitrachee to overawe the unamiable Poligars - whose conduct the more ~~[illegible]~~ secret in ~~the~~ its operation has been not only more detrimental to the Sirkar in the unjustifiable exactions ~~they have~~ made on ~~the~~ its ~~[illegible]~~ frequent ~~[illegible]~~ whose quarrels ~~[illegible]~~ with each ~~each~~ other require ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ intermediation stationary regular ~~[illegible]~~ force to keep them in ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~that in the subject of~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the~~ ~~inability~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~

~~...disputes — prove th~~

~~dispute to the exchange — and enforce its decision~~

The unhappy consequences frequently resulting from their disputes are proof of the necessity of ~~restraint~~ present frequent restraint — this would probably induce an appeal to the exchange & be productive of good — ~~but~~ the want in the latter of the means of coercion — would instigate their appeal to their own strength and ~~produce the~~ be productive of the unhappy effects of predatory warfare —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very obedient

humble Servt.

Coimbatore

6th. July — —

Lieut. Colonel Brown

&c &c &c

of Kangy[illegible]

Sir,

The conduct of the principal Jonu of Kangyem but particularly of Ummanna Jonu & Shukkarjonu

To Lieut. Col. Brown
dated 1st July 1799

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Major Lindsay

Commanding

[illegible]

Sir

[illegible] to

the Prisoner [illegible]

serious offender, and

[illegible] to be confined

on the [illegible]

7 July 55

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W. M. [illegible]

7 July 25

T. B. Hurdis Esqr.
&
&
&

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge Your
[...]tter of the 7th and to acquaint You that a Company of Sepoys
[...]s this Morning marched for Khanghum under Command of Captain
Joyes, and that a Company will march tomorrow Morning under
Command of Lieutenant Newsome for Pillachy, having furnished
[th]e Officers with Instructions of which Copies [a]re inclosed.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Camp at Coimbatoor
9th July 1799

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Commg Sou Divn

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J. B. Hurdis Esqr.

Brown

From
Colle. Brown
received 9th. July 1799.

Captain Gryes

Commanding a Detachment under Marching Orders

Sir

With the Detachment under your Command you will proceed by the accompanying Route to Khanghuim, and take upon yourself the charge of that Post, which is now Occupied by a Jemidar with a party from the 1st Battn. 2nd Regt. whom you will cause to be relieved, and direct him to proceed with his party to join his Company at Caroor, furnishing him with a letter to Captain Gepp Commanding at that Post, to let him know the time when the Jemidar's Party marches from Khanghuim.

Besides the Jemidars party, there is now at Khanghuim a party of Sebundy Peons, belonging to the Revenue Establishment of Mr. Collector Hurdis who may have occasion for their services in another quarter; and in this case you will permit any Instructions he may send to the Sirdar in charge of them to be carried into Effect.

On your arrival at Khanghuim, after detailing the few guards which you may see necessary for the Duty of the Garrison, you will detach a Guard Consisting of a Havildar Naigue & 12 sepoys to Daraporam to relieve a Havildar with a party from the 1st Battn. 4th Regt. now Posted there as a Guard over the Revenue Money Occasionally Collected and lodged at the Cutcherry. and; you will Instruct the Havildar in Charge of this Guard to keep two Centinels posted over the Money Chest whenever it may Contain Circar Treasure — when Empty One will be sufficient. and you will further Instruct the Havildar to Comply with any Requisition that may be made to him by the Tahseldar for a part of his Guard to assist in making good the Collections, which can but rarely Occur, and must never Occasion more than a Naigue and 6 sepoys to be detached.

The Havildar now at Daraporam will by letter from hence be directed to join his Corps at Dindigul as soon as he has been relieved

When any Revenue Money is lodged in the Cutchery at Khanghuim, you will upon application from the Tahseldar, direct a Guard Consisting of a Non Commissioned and 6 sepoys to be Posted Over it, who, by lodging their arms close to the Money Chest can furnish two Centinels for the Charge of both.

This Guard Should be relieved every day or every Second day at furthest, and on these Occasions it may be well to direct the relief to take place when the Tahseldar, or Person

having

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having the Key of the Cash chest, may be in the Cutchery to open the Cash Chest, and reckoning the number of Bags or parcels containing Money in presence of the relieving Non Commissioned Officer, he may thus be made acquainted with the Extent of the Charge, for the safety whereof he becomes responsible.

When the Cash Chest is empty the Guard may be with drawn.

The Object of your Detachment being to favor the Collections by preserving Tranquillity and enforcing Obedience to the Authority of Government vested in Mr. Collector Hurdis, you will comply with any Requisition he may make for a part of your Force to accomplish these purposes, reporting on such Occasions to me or the officer who may be in Command of the Sn. Division.

In the Fort of Khanghium I believe you will find sufficient [illegible] for the Men of your Detachment, and in this Case you will cause the Camp Equipage and Ammunition which accompany it to be lodged in store, retaining the Lascars occasionally to overhawl and air the Tents.

You will discharge the Carriage Bullocks and Bamboo Coolies, giving the Coolies and owners of the Bullocks Certificates to ascertain the time of their being discharged, in which you will allow three days for their return to this place to be settled with by the Paymaster.

As the Circar House in the Fort is occupied by the Collector's Cutchery, and is not fit for the Accommodation of yourself and Lieut. Bowen, you may — appropriate for that purpose a Circar House in the Pettah lately occupied by the Asiph under the Circar of Tippoo Sultaun

With the Monthly return of your Detacht. you will forward to Head quarters of the Southern Division, a Return of Camp Equipage & Ammunition with your Detachment.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) A Brown Lt. Col.
Comg the Sn. Dy

Camp at Coimbatoor
7th. July 1799

procurable at Poolachy, which you will direct the Writer of the Company to translate into the Malabar Language and to Post it up where all may have access to it, and thus be informed what they have to pay ~ you will instruct the Tapildar to have the Nurreek made out according to the prices which obtained three Months ago, or during the time of Tippoo Sultauns Government, a Copy of this Nurreek you to send to me, and when your Detachment has occupied the Post you will be good enough will be good enough, to advice me as to the means of accommodation, and the Number and strength of Guards you may find it necessary to detail ~ Should these not amount to one third of the strength of your Company, I would recommend your adding such additional Guards (to be posted as you may think proper) as may bring One third of your Men on daily Duty.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) A. Brown Lt. Col.
Commg. Sn. Dn.

Camp at Coimbatoor
8th July 1799

Route to Poolachy from Coimbatoor

To Coorchy	1½
Wattecalmuntapum	3½
Cunnatacadavoo	7
Poolachy	10
	22 Malabar Miles

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P. S. With the Monthly return of your Detachment you will forward to Head quarters of the Southern Division, a Return of Camp Equipage and Ammunition with your Detachment

Lieutenant Newsome

Commanding a Detachment under Marching Orders

Sir

With the Detachment under your Command you will proceed to Poolachy and take upon yourself, and sufficient Cover for the Men of your Detachment the Charge of that Post where I am informed you will find accommodation for yourself, and sufficient Cover for the Men of your Detachment by means of Circar Houses which will be pointed out by the Tahsildar, and in this Case you will Cause the Camp Equipage and Ammunition with your Detachment to be lodged in some safe place, retaining the Lascars Occasionally to Overhaul and Air the Tents — you will return the Bamboo Coolies and Carriage Bullocks giving the Coolies and owners of the Bullocks Certificates to ascertain the time of their having been attached to your Company, in which you will allow two days for their return to this Place to be settled with by the Paymaster

When any Revenue Money is lodged in the Cash Chest at Poolachy you will upon application from the Tahsildar, direct a Guard Consisting of a Havildar Naigue and 12 Sepoys to be posted over it, furnishing two Centinels for its more Certain Security

This Guard should be relieved every Day or every second day at furthest, and on these Occasions, it may be well to direct the Relief to take place when the Tahsildar or person having the key of the Cash Chest may be in the Cutcherry, to Open the Chest, and by reckoning the number of Bags or parcels Containing Money in presence of the relieving Havr. he may thus be made acquainted with the Extent of the Charges for which he becomes Responsible

When the Cash Chest is empty this Guard may be withdrawn

The Object of your Detacht. being to favor the Collections by preserving Tranquillity and enforcing obedience to the authority of Govt. vested in Mr Collector Hurdis you will Comply with any requisition he may make for the whole or part of your Force to accomplish these purposes, reporting on such occasions to me or the Officer who may be in Command of the Southern Division

You will Require from the Tahsildar a Nirrick or price Curt. of every Article that can be wanted, by yourself and the Men of your Detachment and may be procurable

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To
P. D. Hurdis Esqr
Col. Dindigul

Sir

Inclosed I have the honor to forward you the Polygar of Pylney's receipt for Thirty one Star Pagodas —

I am
Sir
your Obed. Servt.
W. James Lt
Fort Adjt

Trichinopoly
10th July 1799

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Copied Copied

From Lieut. Fras. James

Dated 10 July 1799

Recd. 15th do.

To /-

Service

T.B. Hurdis Esqr.

Collector

Dindigul

[illegible]

[illegible]

SIN

11th July 99.

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Lieut Colonel Brown
&c &c &c

Sir /

The ~~accompanying~~ letter which I have now the pleasure of sending, will shew you the arrangement of the Eight Taloo[ks] Governor General for the civil administration of the lately acquired countries below the Ghauts -

To ensure ~~an~~ regularity of proceeding in this ~~business~~ ~~or~~ arrangement of the talooks, which will be much obstructed in the

North & South bank of
the Nagil - I have to beg
the favor of your opinion
in the business - by pro[illegible]
to the above stated direction
to survey the South bound
of the Poor from the
Lakes to its confluence with
the Cavery -
The time it would take
to finish the whole of it
would not I apprehend be
more than fifteen days -

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and the result would be
certain and accurate
information — which
can not be derived from
any other source; whatever
Should it be [illegible],
situation at risk of your
compliance ~~with this~~
~~request~~ and you see
no particular objection
Please ~~[illegible]~~ to which
my hope of your acceding
to my request
Please the Lower to
1st July –

[illegible]

To Col Brown

with copy of

[illegible]

dated 16th July

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Major Andrews

Commanding

Dindigul

Sir

I have to request you will order a Naig and six Peons to be ready at the Cutcherry tomorrow morning at Sunrise, to take charge of a Box containing valuable papers to Mr Collectors Cutcherry at Coimbatore

I am &c.

Dindigul

10th July 95

To Major Lindsay
10 July 84

J. L. Ravenshaw Esqr

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Dear Sir

Baubarow the Tahsildar having made an application for a Guard to Escort two thousand, five hundred, and forty Chuckrams to Coimbatore, I have accordingly ordered one Naigue & six Sepoys for that purpose, which I dare say will be fully sufficient from the quiet State of the Country at present —

I am Dear Sir
Yours very truly
T. Oakley

Danigamootta
20th July 1799

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To J. J. Ravenshaw Esq
A. Collector,

Sir,

I have the pleasure to receive your note, & am sorry that any Sepoy has behaved improperly —

As soon as I know the names of the Offenders, they shall be confined, & their conduct investigated

I have the honour to be,
Sir, Your very obedt Servt

Dindigul, 2th July
1799

A. Henderson
M.G.

[illegible]
[illegible] 1815

To Major Lindsay

Commandant

Dinajpur

Sir

I am under the

necessity of shutting up

Coocar Bundy, in

consequence of the very

[illegible] behaviour of

[illegible] of the Inhabitants, who

[illegible] outrageously beat the

who came at the same

[illegible] but the

[illegible] person who were

Posted there to see that

the publick whose cases ar

regularly come-

I shall send you the nam

of some of the prin

Murderers immediately

and am most desirou

they be brought to a

Court martial for th

wicked, atrocious conduc

of all orders and regul

Conduct.

31st July 94

[illegible]

Officer Commanding

Commanding

[illegible]

Sir

This morning at [illegible] I was able to [illegible] in a thorough [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] are [illegible] Comp.^y^ [illegible] 17 — [illegible] 3 [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] who were [illegible] [illegible] to you with the [illegible] they [illegible]

the Person they [illegible]
[illegible] when [illegible]
if you [illegible] [illegible]
Build there to do [illegible]
Powder [illegible] of your [illegible]
that must be conven[illegible]
Among the [illegible]
[illegible]
by [illegible]
[illegible]
the [illegible] at [illegible]
the [illegible]
[illegible]
You would [illegible]
[illegible]
Union [illegible] one [illegible]
[illegible]
from the Continent [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] from

[illegible], when the Circas

[illegible] through which

Cizar Brown the [illegible] were

[illegible] letter Clerk been

[illegible] the Circas

[illegible]ions.

The Remedy Come [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] the cloth. —

[illegible] then [illegible] and

[illegible] I cannot ascertain.

[illegible] it was done in the [illegible] way

which caused much confusion

[illegible]

they were taking

[illegible] of the Circas Brown to

to the [illegible], [illegible] their

Commanding to be [illegible]

before us; they were

so -

During the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Sergeants, [illegible] the [illegible]

of the Troops may b[illegible]

particularly ordered [illegible]

attend the Funeral [illegible]

before, ought to [illegible]

their [illegible] [illegible]

of [illegible], according to th[illegible]

order [illegible] about

21st of last Month

The following [illegible]

Ordered [illegible]

to [illegible] [illegible] 21 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

Commanding

[illegible]

I beg you with order the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] here with to be [illegible] on the [illegible] and I must request you with [illegible] a separate guard [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I will thank ...
prior Orders for one to ...
For this of those troubles ...
And these may be ...
much of the business ...
Dear Sir Your ...
Wm Legal ...
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To J. J. Ravenshaw Esq.
Ast Collector,

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Sir, I am this moment favoured with your letter—

The Prisoners shall be carefully kept in the upper Fort as you desire

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your very obt Servt
J. Lindsay

Dindygul Fort, 28th July
1799

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To J G Ravenshaw Esq
Ashburton
Gardens

[illegible]
28 July 177[illegible]

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T. B. Hurdis Esqr.

Collector of Dindigul &c. &c.

Sir

I have the honor to inclose authentic Copies of the Order of Government under date the 23d and of a letter of Instructions from Major General Braithwaite to me under date the [illegible] current; agreeably to which I have to make you an Offer of Such Troops as you may have Occasion for; And, adverting to the 2d and 3d paragraphs of these Instructions which comprehend the whole of the Detachment now in Camp, as well as the Details posted at Dunigancotta, Tuggleshatty, Sattimungulum, Erodi, Khan=ghium Dairaporum, and Pelachy, and bearing in your Mind the Exigence of the additional Force which the still existing Insurrection in the Ramnaud District requires to be Sent to that Quarter, I have to request that Your Requisitions may be confined to as Small a Number of Troops as Circumstances can possibly admit

I

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

A Brown

Comm^g Senr Detach^t 1st Division

Camp near Coimbatoor

30th July 1799

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From

Colo. Brown

dated 30th July 1799

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To Lieut. Col. Brown

Commanding the Southern Division
of the Army

Sir

I am directed by Major General Braith:waite to inclose to you an order of Government, which was issued yesterday, by which you will see that the detachment under your Command in the field is broken up, and you are ordered to proceed to Trichenopoly — the order farther directs, that the General shall issue such orders as he thinks necessary for Marching the troops into Garrison, the General therefore directs you in the first instance, to reduce your Granadier and Pioneer Corps immediately, you are then to make an offer to the Collector of such troops as he may have occasion for, and for which, should he want any, he will give you a requisition in writing agreable to which, you will leave in such station

as

as he may point out, the numbers of officers and native troops that he has required -

You will then order the several broken details to rejoin their Corps and stations, with as little delay as possible, sending them off for that purpose, from the most convenient parts in the course of your march to Trichinopoly, in to which Garrison the detachment of His Majesty's 19th Regt. of foot, and the detachment of Bengal Artillery are to be thrown, untill further order.

The General perceives that the 1st Battn. of the 3d. Native Regt. was divided between the Garrisons of Madura & Palamcottah and under present circumstances he directs, that Palamcottah be considered as the head quarters of the Battn., and that seven Companies be be sent there, and three at Madura, dividing the officers as suitably as you can to those numbers of Companies -

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As the order of Government positively breaks up the Detachment, no General Staff of any kind can be longer allowed to it, and the General desires, that, all Camp equipage may be delivered into the stores, and all contingent followers and draught & carriage cattle be dis-charged, as soon as possible, In short, that an end may be put to all field charges, as soon as the necessary movements will admit of it.

I have the honor to be

Adjt. General office
Fort St. George
24. July
1799

Sir
Your most obedient servant
(signed) W. Shaw
Dep. Adjt. General

A true Copy
J. H. Smith
Secy. to Lt. Col. Brown

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Head Quarters of the Army Choultry Plain 24th July 1799

The Right Honble the Governor General in Council having addressed the Subjoined Orders to the Commander of the Army in the Carnatic to be Published to the Army they are accordingly Published in Military Orders

Fort St. George 23d July 1799

G O By Government

The Southern field Detachment under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Brown, is broken up, and the Commander of the Troops, in the Carnatic, is directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, to give such Orders, as he shall judge necessary for the march of the several Corps composing it, into Garrison

Lieutenant Colonel Brown to return to Trichinopoly and to command there as well as the Southern Division, untill further Orders.

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

By Order of the Commander of the Army in the Carnatic

(Signed) Willm Shaw
Asst Adj General

A true Copy

Wm Smith
Secy to Lt Col Brown

Lieut. Colonel Brown
&c &c &c

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I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of this date with copy of the Acting Deputy Quartermaster General's letter of the 26th ult. respecting the breaking up of the Southern field detachment — and to the matter relating to myself shall reply as briefly as possible —

I consider the post of Tangancotha as ~~—~~ of great importance in affording protection to the country ~~[illegible]~~ under the [illegible] of the Western [illegible] — from the incursions of the [illegible] & other banditti from the Towns of Kelleemboo — Enwaleotha Molicotha — Cohanjuny [illegible] & [illegible] — who were not only in the habit of constant depredations under the late Government — but who during the contest and

to have desolated the hill tracts
of Toddinaur - Makenaur &
Pennedenaur - and since the
fall of Derringapattan the Nayrs
dependant on Kottiamboor
Nawalcottah & Cottangurry are
said to have possessed them
- certain it is that admission
was refused to the men who
carried the cowles, who were
obliged to return without
effecting the purpose for which
they were sent -

Tippoo usually had betwe[en]
four & five hundred Candachar[s]
[?] in Toddinaur Makenaur
& Pennedinaur - exclusive
of the Garrison of Denajanthar
this force of itself is consider[a]
-ble but when it is recollected
that in event of commotions in
the hills - the roads into them
by Dennefuttan - Oonthaconda
-dla - & Bekkatoor are in
Bolughaut - would without
difficulty admit of any force
whatever - the keeping so many
entertained for a constancy shews the [?]
[?]
to contend with - and the nece[ssity]
of efficient & immediate aid [?]

Dennefuttan -
Oonthacondla
Bekkatoor -

Gonapoor

Sibb.n 200

always ~~at hand~~ ready - to act against them, it may be said the Rajahs before mentioned are contributary - and would not now so act as to induce the resentment of our Sirkar - but ~~the ... ...~~

~~for 21 - lands~~ -

little dependance ought at present to be placed in people with whom dispositions towards us we are hardly acquainted - but whose habits of irregularity our Ryots constantly feel the effects of -

The ~~Post~~ Garrison at Daneganeote should in my opinion be sufficiently ~~strong~~ numerous to detach a strong party to Sattamungulum - to check the conduct of the principal Gours - and this party should have an European officer - not only for more efficiency in action - but for more decidedly impressing these people that positive means of coertion were at hand - of the necessary numbers to occupy these posts you are the judge but in my opinion which I offer with deference - three complete companies should be allotted for the service -

Erode claims attention from its situation among the powerful Gours of that District ~~and~~ Perindoor Cannitoor - some of whom but Conoranchra Gour in particular are able to collect a very formidable banditti in ~~a short~~ a few hours - they have under the Sultans government orders to assemble eight hundred men - to protect the company's country -

~~he [illegible] withstood the orders~~
~~thereof~~

and in consequence he was acting not only against the company but also against the [illegible] of [illegible] - he is a man remarkable for his treachery and [illegible] - he has been to the [illegible] of [illegible] - but his habits of life render every precaution against him very necessary

To afford a proper guard to at [illegible] and at [illegible] ~~the garrison of Erie~~ to each of which places a guard should for the present be sent - the post of Erie should in my opinion be garrisoned by ~~the~~ complete companies -

The post of [illegible] now claims attention - my letter of the 6th inst. induced you sending thither such force as could ~~be~~ consistently be drawn from the detachment - but another company should in my opinion be added - this district for three some years past has been subject to daily depredation - the

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Zemins never were under the control of any Government either British or Mahratta — their extortions from the inferior ryots have been immense — they were always complied with or Death was the consequence of refusal — they have always been enabled to reward the Sirkar — and have never failed to do it — when any order has militated against the authority they have pretended to over their inferior Ryots Papalo — to whom those people from the oppression of the Zemindars is my first object — but the attachment shewn by some of the unfortunate men to our Sirkar in disclosing circumstances relative to their villages having been already rewarded by the murder of nine people five by hanging — and four bitterly cutting by Chunam from their adde the terror is too great to admit of any Regulation for their safety — unless adequate and constant protection by means of Regular troops be uniformly given —

The same letter requesting a force for Kungshyam made requisition for one at Pillachee and this also should be a station for two complete companies — this part of the country close on the Annamallee mountains in the midst of the Poligars twelve in number — is more exposed to their predatory disposition than even Kungshyam in consequence of quarrels among themselves — ~~and~~ this force besides checking their restless disposition would afford protection as far as Chingany to the Sirkar Ryots — and give the full means of immediate punishment to all depredators —

The Post at Columbum ~~was~~ is also a very important place situated in the midst of the Mahurjhury & Dampoocam Poligars — and bounded on the east by the Western Poligars of Dindigul — the family connections of these Poligars but particularly of Veerapatche Veerapully Mungolum — Octi and others of less note is the cause of much opposition to the Sirkar orders — and the

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rebellious disposition of the
Vempatchee Poligar is too well
known to admit a doubt of
his ~~not~~ creating a disturbance
whenever circumstances admit

The cantonment of Pylney
might ~~perhaps~~ be removed to
this Post - and the four companies
there under Lt Col Oliver vij three
companys would in my opi-
-nion afford protection to this
part of the country and give
~~a subaltern guard~~ company to Dandorai
to take care of the collections
of that rich & improveable
talook - and a ~~small~~ guard also
for the same purpose at
Pylney -

The post of Caroor is next
for consideration should not
be without four complete
companies of Seapoys - and
thence might detach ~~half~~
~~a subaltern guard~~ a company to Aravancurchy
the Zamindars of the Nairs are
very powerful and the
Zemindary & Polnconeghie
Poliattee particularly require a check in
~~that quarter~~ since it is pro-
-tected there is a range of
more than forty miles of country

for them to ~~ravage~~ plunder in — the chief force of both Carour & Chiramamully have frequently given signs of discontent and predatory disposition — which can only be kept under by the immediate means of coercion —

In the District of Coimbetore for its protection and the country about — should be six companies of Seapoys — I mention this rather as what circumstances may be able to afford them as what I think sufficient — for not less than a battalion [and a brigade of Guns] should in my opinion be attached to it —

~~Stating~~ ~~In~~ The previous Statement of ~~the~~ force I think absolutely necessary to give that stability to arrangement in the civil administration of the country which can only be derived from equal protection — It may appear in a military point too much dispersed & situated as I have stated to be efficient — but as things very exist in the country and

and particularly in those ~~distri~~ talooks
~~immediately~~ near the followers(?)
in the Southern districts has
a Matchlock pike or sword —
Nothing but being overawed
will cause ~~them~~ to disuse it ~~by~~
~~it is the~~ ~~the instrument of their~~
~~[illegible]~~ —

Nothing so forcibly shews
the improper mode of manage-
-ment which heretofore obtained
as the uncommon number of
armed men throughout the country every Potail in
every village has his people & had prosecuted
the people against whom he
bore enmity — in some ~~[illegible]~~ instances
rewards had been received
for the murders to be perpetrated —
and the Soolur(?) Potail is now
in confinement on the accusa-
-tion of a man whom he had
bribed to bring him the heads
of sixteen people — the discovery
of the Potails intention arose
from a part of the bribe
given viz two bullocks & an
horse being ~~returned~~ recognised as stolen property &
this ~~disap~~ disappointed the assassin —
~~and nothing~~

and nothing but the presence
of the detachment has prevent-
-ed the execution —

Thus circumstanced as affairs are in this province — I think the force already detailed as absolutely necessary for the preservation of order — Yet ~~as~~ situated ~~[illegible]~~ as the affairs in the ~~of the~~ Western Ceded district are — it may ~~Palnaur and in the Baramahl~~ be at present impossible to detail out the ~~[illegible]~~ corps and adverting to the weakness of your detachment — if the public service will not admit the possibility of such force being left — this must induce greater vigilance ~~and of some necessity as~~ ~~must be~~ and in that case should hope with the addition of Sibbendy at each station — we might keep of the Cavalry as follows —

Danayakencottah & Sattamungalum	one company complete 100 Peons —
Erode, Cheelavor, Caveripoor	one company complete 200 Peons the guard now at Caveripoor to remain —
Coimbatoor	four Companies & a brigade of Guns 150 Peons
Shevaghery —	one company complete
Pilloohee —	one company complete 150 Peons
Columbum	two companies complete 150 Peons — ... Dharapoor ...

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Cavery as now — and the same guards continued as now at Kaveriacoorchy & Yercotta —

I have now detailed in my opinion the least possible force that ought to be left here I think the districts will be unsafe with so few — but ~~with~~ less than the above number — ~~I should conceive~~ would be impossible to maintain order with —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very obedient

humble Serv[an]t

Coimbatore
30th July
1799 —

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To Col Brown

30th July

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T. B. Hurdis Esqr.
Collector of Dindigul &c &c

Sir

I have this day received your letter of the 30th current, and by the Division Orders of this date, copy whereof is inclosed, you will perceive that a Company in addition to the Force required in the Conclusion of your letter is allotted for the protection of the lately acquired Countries below the Ghauts.

I have to regret that the reduced State of the Southern Field Detachment, with the exigencies for Troops in the Districts of Madura and Pallamcotta, do not permit me to comply with the requisition you have made upon the larger Scale, which does not appear to me to exceed the Force that will be necessary to ensure the preservation of Order.

I have the honor to be
Sir Your most Obedient Servant
A. Brown Lt Col
Comg Sou. Division

Camp near Coimbatoor
31st July 1799

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From

Leut.t Col.l Brown

dated 31st July 1799.

Lieut Col Brown

&c &c &c

Sir,

It being necessary to send the collections made in the countries lately acquired to Dindigul to ensure payments for the troops – and understanding that young Captn Bruce Bathurst is proceeding thither I have to request the favor of you to direct Captn B. to take charge of such treasure as may be consigned ~~to him~~ from ~~[illegible]~~ time ~~[illegible]~~ ~~at~~ the cutcherry in Dindigul or Mr Assistant Collector Coimbatore –

I have the honor

&c &c

August 2nd

Coimbatore –

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Col. Brown
dated 2d. August 99

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To

T. B. Hunsin Esq.r
Collector

Sir

Jemidar Abdul Nabby has delivered to me the Tumbril with treasure, and the key sealed and directed to Mr. Ravenshaw, which shall be delivered to him

I have the honor to be
Sir Your most obedient
Servant

Camp at Condukton
3rd August 1755.

D. Bruce
Actg Comm.r 1st B. 3 Reg.t

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To

J. B. Bourdieu Esqr.

Collector

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[illegible]

(Copied)

From

Captn Bouce

dated 2d August 1[illegible]

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Mr Brace

&c &c &c

Under charge of Jemadar Abdul Nubbee

... me the honor of sending you a sealed

the key of which sealed ... sixty three sealed

... containing treasure packed in bags —

four ... sealed

... secured by gonnies — to be delivered to

Mr Assistant Collector Inverarity at the

Cutcherry at Dinajpur —

In assistance send Khinnow Mahme

-dy & four peons with four bukwers of

my own ~~to spend self~~ in case of difficulty

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very obedient

Cumbetore

3d August

1799 —

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Captn. Bruce

dated 3d. August 1799.

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My dear Sir

Have the goodness to send me a passport for Serjeant Major David Young and Seven Servants to proceed to Trichinopoly and which is to expire on the 24th Current

Yrs truly

[illegible]

Dindigul
5th Aug
1799

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To J. G. Ravenshaw Esq.
A Collector,

Sir,

I am favour'd with your letter, and shall send a Guard to the Mundy for the Purpose you mention.

The Invalid Gd, on being relieved by the Regulars, will be added to the Cutwals as you desire.

I have the honour to be
Sir, Your very obedt Ser.
Dindigul, 6th Sept.
1799 —
Hendsay

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[illegible] Savage
[illegible]
7th June 94

J. G. Ravenshaw Esq
Collector

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To Major Lindsay
Commanding
Brick[?] ——

Sir/
The Invalid Guard
at the Corean [?] being
insufficient to break out
the usual [illegible] duties [illegible]
there — I have to request
you will order a Guard[?]
and reg.^regular^ Relieving to that Station
with instructions to obey
the orders of the Co[illegible]
Interim[?]

The two Days and th[e]

may be added t[o]

that now und[er]

at the Letter to Ch[…]

Farmer

Answered

4 August 17[…]

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To Mr. Lindsay,
6 August 84

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T. B. Hurdis Esqr.
Collector of Dendigul
Sir,

In consequence of Orders this day received from Major General Braithwaite, of the 4th Curt., and of which I have the honor to transmit a Copy, I have directed Captain O'Reilly with the two Companies of the 1st Bn. 13th Regt. Lieutenants Macleod and Blake with the two Companies of the 2d Bn. 13th Regt. ~~and Captain~~ Joyce with his Company of the 1st Bn. 3d Regt. to proceed from Danaiguncotta, Coimbatoor, Pilachy and Khanghium, to the places of their several destinations as prescribed by these Orders which you will perceive restrict me from exercising any discretionary power whatever.

A Native Commissioned Officer with a Detail of 30 Non Commissioned Rank & File are Ordered from Caroor to Khanghium, and as matters in that Talook are still in an unsettled state, Captn. Joyce is directed not to march until arrival of this Detail. — Similar Details are Ordered from Erode & Colembum to Coimbatoor and Pilachy. Part of the Detail for Coimbatoor with the Brigade of 6 Pr. Guns directed by Orders of the 31st Ulto. will have arrived before Lieut. Macleod can ~~have~~ marched from thence, but as the Service requires that the party at Comary be reinforced with all possible expedition, it will be necessary that the Company at Pilachy proceeds without any delay after leaving a Guard consisting of a Non Commissioned & Six Sepoys at the Cutchery for protection of any Money that may have been collected there.

[...] at Moolipollam
9th August 1799.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servt.
[signature]
Comg. 3d Division

[...]ker Kingsley with the Brigade
[...] directed to remain and take under
[...] charge the Detail of Nat: Infy. at Coimbatoor until further orders.

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from Col Brown

dated 10th

recd — 14th Augt

Ans. 18th

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Lieut. Colonel Brown
Commanding the Southern Division
of the Army

Sir

Since the Assistant Adjutant General wrote to you under date the 24th Ultimo, It appears probable that in the General distribution of Cantonm[ents] Garrisons and Stations, more Troops will fall to be disposed of in the Southern than was then supposed, to which end, it is necessary to be prepared without delay as much room in Trichinopoly and Tanjour as may be, I therefore desire you to Consider the letter of the Assistant Adjutant Genl. above cited, as null and void, so far as the following Orders deviate from it — You are not as that letter directed, to apply to Mr Collector Hurdis, to make requisition of Troops from you if he judges them necessary, on the contrary if you have already given any to him in Consequence of that letter, you are immediately to remand them, without further reference either to him or myself —

The Five Companies of His Majestys 19th Foot must be sent without delay to Madura —

The whole of the 1st Battn 3d native Regt must be sent to Palamcottah with the following detail from the Bengal Company of Artillery, One Lieutenant One Lieut Fireworker, two Serjeants, and twenty Rank & File, with one 1st Tindal, One 2d Tindal and Fifty Gun Lascars —

Five Companies of the 1st Battalion of the 13th ~~native~~ Regt under the command of Captain O'Reilly with such a proportion of Subalterns as the Strength of the Corps will admit of, must be sent to Kytar, and to this end Captn O'Reilly must without loss of time be relieved from his present Command of Damgancottah.

Five Companies of the 2d Battn of the 13th Regt must be sent under the command of a steady Subaltern with such others as the Strength of the Corps in Subalterns may admit of to reinforce the party at Comary in the Ramnad Country —

If you have not in consequence of the former Order discharged your Draught and Carriage Cattle, as there appears to be some scarcity of Cattle, you will be pleased not to discharge any until you have further orders. and the whole of the Troops must also retain with them their Carriage and Camp Equipage until further Orders, and the Five Companies sent to Kytar and the Five Companies sent to Comary must carry with them (200) two hundred rounds of Ball Cartridges, with a due proportion of spare Flints in addition to what they may have in their Pouches.

In carrying this distribution into effect, although I wish much activity and alerity to be used, considering it a part of a general arrangement, I trust it will be Conducted with such regularity, each party being sent seperately to its destination, as to excite no alarm in the territories of the Nabob which might affect His Highness's Revenues, either by inducing his people to withhold their Payments, or diffusing reports prejudicial to his authority. These Orders however having been maturely Considered and founded upon the Instructions of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council must be implicitly Obeyed and you will of Course Consider yourself restricted from exercising any discretionary judgement whatever respecting them either by delay in the execution or any further reference to me.

I am aware that the Garrisons of Trichinopoly and Tanjour will for the present be less very weak, but that is not now of importance, and must be no further a Consideration with you, than how ~~best~~ to apply the Strength for the

Present

present left in each of these Garrisons.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) John Brathwaite

Madras
4th August 1799.

To 313 358 346

J. G. Ravenshaw Esqr.
Ct. Collector,

Sir,

I have given directions for the reception of the Prisoners in the Upper Fort.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your very obt. Servt.
J. Stanway

Fort
10th Septr.
1799

from M. Lear
18th August 1791

J. G. Ravenshaw Esq.

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To Major Lindsay

Commanding

Dindigul

Sir

Be pleased to order the undermentioned prisoners to be confined with those now on the rock

Cootha Taum

Moota Cootha Taum

Betta Taum

Cottha Cootha Shevogar

Poona Coothee

Balla Maun

Dindigul 10th Aug 84 — Ochathan

Meiyandy

Curban

We are Your obed[t] Sir

1295) 1324,600 (1103
120
124
120
460
361.
1000

Armoquam

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To

W.B. Varden Esqr.

Colr.

Dindigul

Sir

Inclosed I have the honor to forward you the Poligar of Pyhey's receipt for Thirty One Star Pagodas —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedt. Servt.

Ho. James

Lieut. & Fort Adjt.

Trichinopoly

12th August

1799

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Service

P. B. Hurdis Esqr

Collectr

Dindigul

Lt James Dr
E.O. Trichinopoly

~~[illegible]~~

POSTPAID
SERVICE
TRICHINOPOLY

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SIN. 13 14 August 99

Copied
From Lieut. F. W. James
dated 13 August 1799
Recd 2? th do
Copied

To Captn. Bruce

Sir

I have received from Jemidar Abdul Nubby – the Tumbril containing treasure, brought from Mr. Collector Brodie, and also the Key thereof delivered to your care by him.

The Seals on the key and Tumbril and the number of bags of money therein agree with the Invoice forwarded to me by Mr. Brodie —

As your state the bullocks to be wanting for the Public Service I return them with the empty Tumbril as your desire requests

13 August
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To Captn. Bruce Copie

13 Augt. 85

To Ravenshaw Esqr.

&c &c

Sir,

The bearer Jemedar Abdul Nebby will deliver the treasure he received it from Mr. Collector Hurdis; The enclosed is the key.

As the public service will require the bullocks I will thank you to send back the Rest by hundie which I will be ready from Madura to [illegible]

I have the honor to be

Sir Your most Obedt. Servt.

Camp at Dindigul
13 Aug. 1799.

D. Bruce Capt.
Com. 1st Bn. [illegible]

To Major Lindsay

Commanding

Sir Dindigul

Circumstances occurring that require an extra number of Sentrys ~~Guards~~ at the Collectors Cutcherry, I have to request the guard now there may be increased to a Jemidar and Eighteen Sepoys as soon as possible.

I am Sir

Dindigul Your very obed^t Servt.

13 August 96

To Major Lindsay
13 August 84 —

James Ferguson

To J. J. Ravenshaw Esqr
A. Collector,

Sir,

I am fa-
voured with your letter
& shall order the Guard
at the Collector's to be
increased as you require.

I have the honour to
be, Sir,

Your most obedt Servt,

Dindegul, 13th Sepr, H Lindsay
1799

John Boyes Lindsay
13th August 1795.

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J. G. Ravenshaw.

A. Collector

[illegible]
[illegible]

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To Captn. Bruce

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Sir

I must beg you will give positive orders, for none of the cooks or rabble followers under your command to purchase rice in the Bazar — as there will all be secured in thorn the Circar Munder so soon as the writers of the Company attend on me for an order

I send you, Pucatachalum a sepoy of the 2d Company of your battalion, who will

there went into the Bazar
~~and~~ beat the Bazar people
because they would not sell
them rice — and beg he may
be reprimanded for such
unbecoming conduct.

I have ordered ~~ordered~~ rice
to be sold in the Bazar ~~[illegible]~~
to accommodate the families
~~and~~ and Invalids followers of
your Camp, but they are the
only Persons that can be sold
there — I am &c

Dindigul
13 August 84

Robert Bowie
13 August
1774

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To

J. G. Ravenshaw Esqr

&c

Sir

I have had the honor

to Receive your Order,

The Kotta not having

been cautioned against

purchasing their of Corn have

Recourse to the Bazar for

Supply for the present

as they are [illegible]. Umeen-

tachildars that be ordered

and the Potails Cautioned

If in the meantime, while the
Sheeps are ~~[illegible]~~ getting
them in, you order a few
Bullock loads of Sale
to Carrick, it will very much
accomodate both Sutler
& Private Women.

I am

To

Tommy Weaver

&c

[illegible signature]

13 Aug^t

Com S. K. C.

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J. G. Ravenshaw Esqr.

&c. &c.

&c.

From Captn. Browne
10 August [illegible]

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To

J. Ravenshaw Esq.r

&c.

Sir

The Lessees have not money to buy for the Grain, the Custom is to have it Stocked out of them they Which Mr. Hughes with the next

payment by your
sending him an Acct
of the Amount
Your Obedt
J Bruce
13 August,

John M. Bowie
Recd 13 Aug 1796

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To

J. Ravenshaw Esq.

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My Dear Sir

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During the present scarcity of rice it will certainly be better for all purchasers that each description have necessary sold to them on particular Days

I shall acquaint the heads of Details, Companies and Departments of your arrangement, & request them to make out an Indent for the exact quantity necessary for 5 or 6 Days Which Indents I shall Countersign

Your

None of the Troops shall
purchase to-morrow, &c
by the next Day. the M
Dents shall be ready

Yrs truly

17th Augt
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A Murray

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From Major Lindsay
17th. Augt. 99

J. G. Ravenshaw Esq.
Ganjam

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Sir

I have the pleasure to send you two people who will shew the road to Madura. —

The Soubadar is ordered to supply you with country sheep, at the common rate in this district, which is four indifferent ones for one Star Pagoda. —

I am &c

Dindigul
21st August 85 —

to Calltt Evans
1st Augt 59 —

to

John G. Ravenshaw Esqr

&c &c &c

Dindigul

L. Man

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Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to enclose you a receipt for the Tumbril &c, recd from you. The approach of Troops has had already a good effect, the Paundelamcourchy Poligar has dismissed his forces, and returned home.

Yours very truly

C. Bruce

Cumbatore Madura
25th Augt.

[illegible]

1 Chain Trace for Do. 1 Pole Yoke [illegible] Yokes and twelve Bullocks

Dindegul 14th. Augt. 1790

R Douglas Lt.
Comg. the Arty. of
Captn. Bruce's
Detachmt.

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Service

John G. Ravenscroft Esq.

Asst. Collector

Dumfries

SIN

Suspended [illegible] 22d August 44

From Capt. [illegible]
2 August [illegible]
with receipts
(Copied)

To J. J. Ravinshaw Esqr.
A. Collector

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Sir,

For several Days past I have had many representations made to me by the European & Native Troops in Garrison that the only rice sold in the Bazar is very unwholesome, being black & damaged — A sample of it accompanies this.

If the Rice in the Circar Should be solely for the use of the Inhabitants, I beg you will have the goodness to inform me, that, in such a case, the necessary steps may be taken for supplying the Garrison with rice agreeably to the Govt. Regulations made in their favour —

Should the Company's rice laid up by the Collector be sold to the Troops, I humbly conceive that

that by allotting certain days in the week for selling rice to them only, or by selling it to them on Indents duly signed, the crowd & tumults of too many people assemble at the Mandy at same time, will be avoided.

As the Europeans included in the accompanying Indent have had no rice, as they assured me, for these two days, I request you will sanction the Indent, if it be not against any rules established.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obed.t Serv.t

Dindigul, 26th August, 1799.

[illegible] Lindsay
Major,
Comd.[illegible]

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To

J. G. Ravenshaw

A. Collector

Garden House

A. Lindsay

Major

From Major Lindsay

26th August 96

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To Major Lindsay

Commanding

Dindigul

Sir/.

I am favored with yours on the Subject of rice.

As that now for sale in the Bazar is far from good, I can have no objection to serving the Sepoys equally with the then inhabitants being served ~~with that article~~ from the Circar Mundy, so long as ~~it lasts~~ there is a sufficiency there - and if you will order the indents to be sent to me tomorrow morning, and order ~~the~~ ten days rice, it shall be served to whole troops in Garrison.

An order for the number of seers mentioned in the Indents you have now sent, is given the Daddy being larger than the Seer, which is the stated allowance per man - the Indents may be made out according to that measure.

To Major Lindsay
Dindigul
26 August 1785

I am &c

J. G. Ravenshaw Esq

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7 – 5 – 30

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Capt. Bruce

Sir

If the Tumbril and Bullocks I delivered to you ~~at your request~~ here are not returned to Trichinopoly which in your letter of 13th Inst you assured me you would do from Madura — I have to request you immediately on receipt hereof send them to me, as I have in orders particular orders respecting them

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c

Jos Digal

17 July 93

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To

Captain J. Simons

&c &c &c

Sir

I beg the favour of you to furnish such Guard as you may deem sufficient to escort about ten thousand St. Pags. to Dindigul according to the invoice inclosed which I beg the favor of you to give to the Officer in Charge of the party with directions to deliver it to Mr. Assistant Collector Ravenshaw at the Cutcherree at Dindigul the keys of the Chest are inclosed - Sealed

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Obedient humble Servant

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collr.

Columbum
27th August 1799

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To

J. G. Ravenshaw Esqr

Asst Collector Dindigul

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th current, the Bullocks belonging to the Money tumbril were discharged at Madura, and sent to Trichinopoly, the service required the empty tumbril being taken on here, as the Ammunition was shifted from an unserviceable tumbril at Dindigul, (which was thrown into their Stores) and packed in the empty Money tumbril, This circumstance I acquainted the Commanding Officer of the Southern Division of the Army of -

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obed.t Serv.t

C. D. Bruce Adjt

Army Dept.

Camp at Pallamcottah

30th Aug.t 1785.

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Service

J. G. Ravenshaw Esqr.

Asst. Collector

Sundirpul

Capt. Bruce [illegible]

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30th Augt 99

from Captn. Bruce
30th August 1799
(Copied)

Leuitenant James

Fort adjutant of

Trichinopoly

Sir

I have the honor to inclose you herewith a Bill for thirty St. Pagodas on account of Vellaid naigues Subsistance for this month -

I have the honor to be

Dindigul Sir your very Obedient

4th Septr. 1799. humble Servant

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F. B. Hewdis Esqr

Sir

[illegible] I understand there is a great scarcity of Rice in the District insomuch that the Village of [illegible]aroon, &c as well as the Fort is to be subsisted only by the means of what is in Store here and further that this scarcity is likely to remain [fo]r these two months to come and perhaps more [S]hould you from these circumstances conceive [it] necessary to set aside any Store in reserve for the [Gar]rison (there being no Garrison Store of Grain [y]et settled here) I beg leave to acquaint You that it

that it would I conceive Require about 800. Mr Mon

℘r Month (of tiers) — I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Ob[illegible] & most

humble Serv[illegible]

Edw.d [illegible]

Carron

5th Sept.r 1799

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(Copied)
From Capt. Getty
dated 6th
Recd 8
answered 20

Service

P. A. Hurdis Esq.re

Collector &c &c

Dindigul.

A. Getty
Capt. — }

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To

T. W. Hardie

Collector &c &c

Sir

Being informed that Croass Mootoo a Morskey who ran away from me, in Company with Rylaslaw Lascar, and his fatherinlaw the Colonels poultry man on the night of the 28th or early in the morning of the 29th of April on the march to Coveryporam takes with them one Pagodas of Rice belonging to myself, one Tapee Handkerchief and four C. H. P. belonging to my Boy, the 4 P N P was delivered to the Lascar to take care off having a pouse to contain money which the Boy had not (has engaged himself to Mr Ravenshaw, about knowing him, has taken him into Service) I was very Ill, at the time he ran away

which much distressed me, so much so, that had I been deprived of my little conveyance, I must have fallen a sacrifice, on our March, owing to the excessive heat, he has lived with me about 2 years and has received his pay as regular as I received my own, which is well known to every body about my house, indeed so much so that I kept him after my other Horse died untill I purchased the one I at present have which was about four Months in consequence of his Attending thereby and this is the treatment which I have received from him for all the good I have done him,

Therefore Sir I hope you will make an example of him as you may judge most proper to deter others from serving any person in the same manner

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I am

Sir

Dundigul

Your most Obed^t Servant

2^d September

J. W. Sherman [illegible]

1799

Comd^t

To T. H. Hendis Esq.r

Collector &c. &c.

From Mr. Conductor Johnson
2d Sept. 98

To A. B. Hurdis Esqr

Collector

Dindigul

Sir

Inclosed I have the honor to forward you the Poligar of Aylwy's Receipt for Star Pagodas Thirty. I have the honor to be

Sir Your most Obed Servt

F. W. James

Fort Adjt

Trichinopoly
15th Sept 1799

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From Lieut James
Dated 10th } Septr 1799
Recd. 11th }

T. B. Harris Esqr
Collr
Dindigul

R. James
Lt [illegible]

[illegible]

POSTPAID 1/- SERVICE
TRICHINOPOLY

S N.

10 Sept 99

To

T. B. Hurdis, Esq.

Collector, &c.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Relief for the Nelli Cottah Detachmt. will proceed early tomorrow morning, & that Dowd Khan, the Subadar in Charge of the Detachmt now at Nellicottah will be directed to remain there till farther orders, & to give every assistance in his power to seize the rebel Poligar Catabomma Naick.

As soon as this Poligar shall either be seized, or remove to another part of the Country, the Subadar Dowd Khan & his Detachmt will join the Head Quarters of this Corps —

I have the honour to be,

Sir, Your most obedt Servt,

A. Lindsay

Major of Brigade

Dindigul, 11th Septr. 1799

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T. B. Hurdes Esq
Collector &c
Gardentown

A. Lindsay
Major

(Copied)
From
Major Lendsay
dated 11 Sept 99
Recd

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T. B. Hurdis Esqr
Collector

Sir

I have received your letter of the 19th Inst. accompanied by your address to the Board of Revenue of the same date — Prior to the receipt of yours, I had summoned the Yellamoody Poligar to attend me in Camp, when he arrives I shall hold in remembrance your wishes in regard to his son Pooganny Nagur —

I think it will be better for the present not to make any attempt to seize by your Peons the son in his fathers Pollam of Yellamoody — I have the honor to be Sir Yr most obdt Servant

Camp at
Kamputty 22nd Sept 1799

J. Bannerman
Majr Comg Detacht

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From (Copied)
Major Bannerman
dated 22d Septr. 17[illegible]
recd. 24 Do. Do.

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Carn

Sir

Enclosed I have the pleasure to send you a Revenue Ballan chit which you will be pleased to pay to the Bearer

I remain

Your obedt Servt

Oct 2nd 1788

Jn. H. Bowden

(Copied)

Lieut

J. D. Hursey Esqr

To

H. B. Hurdis Esqr.

Collr.

Dindigul

Sir

Inclosed I have the pleasure of sending you the Poligar of Pilney's receipt for Thirty One — Star Pagodas —

I have the honor to be

Sir your Obedt. Servt.

Thos. James

Lt. Fort Adjutant

Trichinopoly

6th October 1799

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Keep the account with the 3
[illegible] the ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible] Esq~~
[illegible] in Madeky
~~Collector~~
at [illegible]
Dindigul

[illegible] James
[illegible]

POST PAID
SERVICE
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SIN

1/2 f 5th October 99

From Lieut. James
Fort St George
Dated 6th
Recd 8th } Oct 1799.

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[?] Hurdis Esqr

Collector Dindigul —

Sir,

In consideration of the age & infirmity of the Poligar of Yellamoody he has been excused from attending on me personally in Camp — however troops have been sent by me into his Pollam to see his Forts demolished & to receive a surrender of the arms of his Peons — In consequence of your letter of the 22nd Ulto, I have engaged the Poligar Tamachy Naig, to give every assistance & information to the Comm- [illegible] the Detach of troops (who commands the Detach stationed at Tamachy Naigs Pollam, & of Poolamoody &c) to secure the person of Cam-pery Naig & I have instructed Lieut. [illegible] ston to that effect, that officer has further my Directions to comply with your requisitions to the extent of his means, the Detach with him will be about three hundred Sepoys,

to

to have the Principal part of this ~~Detach~~ force
at Yellawoody for a time, would be of advan-
tage, but I fear the situation is too
unhealthy to allow of it - but as Mr
Cranston is a very Prudent man I leave
it to his discretion to advance to Yella
woody such party as he may deem pro-
per & to relieve them as often as to
him may appear necessary to pre-
serve the health of the troops -

In consequence of a Procedure
directed by Govt., I condemned to Death the
late Polygar of Panjalamcourchy as a
rebel to the State, & he has been hanged,
this information to the Polygars under
your management may have a favo-
rable influence on their conduct
& convince them that neither Rank or
situation will exempt from just Pu-
nishment those acting in opposition
to the orders of that Government un-
der which they are placed -

I purpose proceeding in the course
of this evening to the Presidency, the Com-
mand of the troops in this quarter
Devolves on Majr. Mc Turing who

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who I may venture to assure you will cheerfully acquiesce in any requisition you may make to promote any object of the Service -

I have the honor to be

Sir Your most obed. Serv.t

Camp at Kytan
20th Oct 1799

J Bannerman
Maj. Com. 5th [illegible]

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from Kuyn Baumer-
-man —
date Apl 29th
Recd — 23 —

T. M. Browne Esq.[illegible]

Collector

[illegible]

[illegible] expecting

[illegible] find that a [illegible]

Tom [illegible]

[illegible] Mr Meryck of [illegible] should have

been given to your late [illegible]

[illegible] particularly

[illegible], whether this

produced from error in his

[illegible] or both parties [illegible]

concerning the matter. You had

a slight intimation of the [illegible]

my reply to your Letter of the 29th May

which I think deserved [illegible] of your

[illegible] instances of his behaviour

[illegible] evince his great propensity to creating

dissension

& delight in Mischief; which he is too abandon'd to
every Officer of the Garrison & strangers
who had occasion to call for his assistance
– no precaution can guard against his
base Machinations when supported by
influence. I have for my own satisfaction
seen made the [illegible] enquir'd about
this Paddy your Minister [illegible] appears
to be that 8100 Madras Moneys were
before a Committee of Officers as they
have [illegible] your [illegible] The Expulsion
of Commissary Ruffles [illegible] on their
occasion and lodged [illegible] under lock
in the Pagodas it seems the [illegible] being
forced the lock and the Keys of it,
remained by accident in his custody
without my knowledge until the receipt
of your Letter of the 19th Inst. [illegible]
alone could be the only pretence for the
Expulsion attaining his Resentment

Actually

[illegible]

the relation to the Grain collected in [illegible]

the Regiments, nor was the quantity ascertained

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] that they [illegible]

the [illegible]

Grain was [illegible] readily

[illegible]

[illegible] thinking [illegible] good [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

done, but [illegible] left of [illegible]

de Corneyfalls [illegible] the [illegible] of the

[illegible] he gave an

[illegible] for 8000 Meals to supply his

[illegible] Detachment, why did not

he [illegible] Grain, instead of making

subsequent applications for them for

the use of the Garrison [illegible] and the

Officers who are to supply him, as the [illegible]

[illegible] of Grain [illegible] show, which [illegible]

shows

the quantity of [illegible]

apportioned [illegible] that the subject [illegible]

unless [illegible] the Valley by the [illegible]

thereof by this Convention [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of these [illegible]

to them [illegible]

their [illegible] & charges [illegible]

[illegible]

any Authority [illegible]

[illegible]

Endorsed

[illegible]

Account of Paddy and Rice delivered to Mr Commissary Hawkins's Conicopoly at different periods by Order of the Commanding Officer for the use of the Garrison of Erode

Erode 5th October 1799

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	Madras Mercals
Paddy collected out of hides in the Fort & Pettah & examined by a Committee the 11th of May 1799	543
Paddy taken out of a hole in the Fort & examined by a Committee the 24th of May 1799	117
Total Madras Mercals of Paddy delivered to the Commissaries Conicopoly	660
Rice supplyed from the Circar Grain Lodged in the Pagoda by the Collectors people 21st of June 1799	330
Rice supplyed from Do — Do — 12th of July 1799	670
Total Madras Mercals of Rice supplyed to the Commissaries Conicopoly	1000

Malcm Macgregor
Captn Comg

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B. Hurdis Esqr.
Collector
Dindigul

Sir

Inclosed I have the pleasure to forward you the Poligar of Pylney's receipt for Star Pagodas thirty

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed Servt.
F. W. James
Brigde. Adjt.

Trichinopoly
6th Nov. 1797

On the Service

To S. B. Hurdis Esqr

Collector

Dindigul

R. James
Post Adjt

POSTPAID
SERVICE
TRICHINOPOLY

1/2 po NIS 6 Novr 99

(Copy)
From
Lieut. James
dated 6th Novr 99
recd 7th do do

To

T.B. Hand Esqr

Collector

Sir

Enclosed is a Revenue Batteau Bill for the Guard furnished at your application on the 10th Ulto. to Escort treasure from hence to Carroz, which be so good as to sign & return it, I suppose the amount will be paid at the Exchequer.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedt.
Servt.

Malcolm MacGregor
Captn.

Etawa
11th Novr 1799

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(Copied)

From
Captn. Malcolm McGregor
dated 11th Novr. 1799
recd. 18th do. do.

To His Majesty's Service
A. B. Hinds Esqr.
Collector
Speightstown

Per

[illegible]

Captain Malcolm McGregor
&c &c &c

Pround

Sir

In reply to your letter dated 11th instt. this moment only received - covering Batta Bill for 67 fanams & 30 cash - I herewith enclose Sixty fanams sixty Eight in full discharge thereof -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Very Obt. Humble Servant

(Signed) J. B. Hurdis
Collector

Dindigul
18th November 1799

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Dear Sir

On receipt of this I will thank you to release the Nagamum Poligar his mother having satis=
=fied the demands of the Sirkar.

I hope you & the Doctor enjoy yourselves in the present Cold weather –

I am dear Sir
very faithfully yours
(signed) W. Hardis

Colapollam
20' November
1799

(Copied)

to Dr Kingsley

at Cumberlan

20th Nov 1799

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To J. B. Clandis Esq.r

Collector

Sir

Enclosed I have the pleasure to forward you a revenue Bates list for your acceptance and remain

Your ob.t hum.l S.t

Ch.s W. Pawlett

Carmon

Dec.r 1. 1798

(Copied)
From
Lieut. Powell
dated 1st Decr. 99
recd. 3d. do. do.

Lt. Powell &c.
comm'g a detachm
of 1st Bn. 2d. Regt. [illegible]

On Service

To S. B. Murdis Esqr.
Collector
Dunbeyne

Postpaid 3/[illegible]
Corrow

9. Decemb'r 99

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Lieut. — James

Fort Adjutant of

Trichinopoly

Sir

I have the pleasure of inclosing your Bill for 31 St. Pays. on account of Villaid Naigs Subsistance for the Current month.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very Obedient Servant

Dindigul

3d. Decr. 1799.

To Lieut. James
dated 3d. Decr. 99.

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To
C. B. Dunbar Esqr.
Collr.
Dindigul

Sir

Inclosed I have the pleasure to send you the Poligar's receipt for Star Pagodas Thirty One ——

I am
Sir Your most Obedient
Thos. James
Trichinopoly
7th Decemr 1795
Collecr.

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28/8/77

From Lieut. James
Dated 7th Dec
Recd 8th do 1794.

Lunia

W. Mardis Esqr
Collector
Midnapore

W. James
[illegible] 1795

1/4 SIN. 7th Decr

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SERVICE
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